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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2023-N-3499]

Endocrinologic and Metabolic Drugs Advisory Committee; Notice of Alternative Form of Hearing

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of alternative form of hearing.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announces an alternative form of hearing regarding the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research's (CDER's) proposal to refuse to approve ITCA 650 (exenatide in DUROS device), a drug-device combination product that is the subject of a new drug application (NDA) submitted by Intarcia Therapeutics, Inc. (Intarcia). CDER is holding a public hearing before an advisory committee under FDA regulations as an alternative form of hearing.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held virtually on September 21, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** All meeting participants will be heard, viewed, captioned, and recorded for this advisory committee meeting via an online teleconferencing and/or video conferencing platform. Answers to commonly asked questions including information regarding special accommodations due to a disability may be accessed at:

https://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/AboutAdvisoryCommittees/ucm408555.htm.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LaToya Bonner, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31, Rm. 2417, Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002, 301-796-2855, email: EMDAC@fda.hhs.gov; or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area).

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* This advisory committee meeting is being held pursuant to a March 24, 2023, letter from the Chief Scientist of FDA, Dr. Namandjé N. Bumpus, wherein she granted Intarcia's request under § 12.32(b)(3)(ii) (21 CFR 12.32(b)(3)(ii)) for a public hearing before an advisory committee in lieu of a formal evidentiary public hearing under part 12 (21 CFR part 12).

Intarcia submitted NDA 209053 for ITCA 650 (exenatide in DUROS device), a novel drug-device combination product on November 21, 2016, under section 505(b)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) (21 U.S.C. 355(b)(1)). On September 21, 2017, CDER issued a complete response (CR) letter to Intarcia under § 314.110(a) (21 CFR 314.110(a)) stating that NDA 209053 could not be approved in its present form, describing the specific deficiencies and, where possible, recommending ways that Intarcia might remedy these deficiencies. On September 9, 2019, Intarcia resubmitted the NDA under section 505(b)(1) of the FD&C Act. On March 9, 2020, CDER issued a second CR letter stating that NDA 209053 could not be approved in its present form, describing the specific deficiencies and, where possible, recommending ways that Intarcia might remedy these deficiencies. The CR letters stated that Intarcia is required either to resubmit the application, fully addressing all deficiencies listed in the letter, or take other actions available under § 314.110 (i.e., resubmit the application, withdraw the application, or request an opportunity for a hearing). Applicable regulations, including 21 CFR 10.75, also provide a mechanism for applicants to obtain formal review of one or more decisions reflected in a CR letter.

On March 16, 2021, Intarcia submitted a request under § 314.110(b)(3) for an opportunity for a hearing on whether there are grounds under section 505(d) of the FD&C Act for denying approval of NDA 209053. In the *Federal Register* of September 2, 2021, FDA published a notice of opportunity for a hearing (NOOH) regarding CDER's proposal to refuse to approve NDA 209053 submitted by Intarcia for ITCA 650 (86 FR 49334). The NOOH gave Intarcia an opportunity to request a hearing before the Commissioner of Food and Drugs on

CDER's proposal to refuse to approve NDA 209053. On September 13, 2021, Intarcia submitted a notice of participation and request for a hearing. Intarcia submitted data, information, and analyses in support of its hearing request on November 1, 2021, and February 15, 2022.

On July 29, 2022, CDER issued, via email to Intarcia, a proposed order proposing to refuse to approve NDA 209053 in its present form (see Docket No. FDA-2021-N-0874). Intarcia responded to CDER's proposed order on October 10, 2022.

On February 7, 2023, the Chief Scientist of FDA issued a letter to Intarcia and CDER that stated, in part: "Under 21 CFR 12.32(a), a person seeking a hearing under 21 CFR part 12 may request an alternative form of hearing, such as a hearing before a public advisory committee under 21 CFR part 14." Dr. Bumpus stated that she would grant a request from Intarcia for an alternative form of hearing under part 14 (21 CFR part 14) in lieu of a formal evidentiary hearing under part 12. On February 20, 2023, Intarcia submitted a request in the form of a citizen petition under 21 CFR 10.30, requesting a public hearing before an advisory committee under part 14 in lieu of Intarcia's pending request for a formal evidentiary hearing under part 12. On March 24, 2023, Dr. Bumpus issued a letter granting Intarcia's request for an alternative form of hearing.

Accordingly, CDER is holding this meeting pursuant to the March 24, 2023, letter from Dr. Bumpus, wherein she granted Intarcia's request under § 12.32(b)(3)(ii) for a public hearing before an advisory committee in lieu of a formal evidentiary hearing. This document serves as the notice of an alternative form of hearing as required under § 12.32(e).

Subject of Alternative Form of Hearing: CDER's proposed order to refuse to approve ITCA 650 (exenatide in DUROS device) is the subject of the alternative form of hearing before the Endocrinologic and Metabolic Drugs Advisory Committee (see Docket No. FDA-2021-N-0874).

Parties to the Alternative Form of Hearing: Intarcia Therapeutics, Inc. and the Center for

Drug Evaluation and Research are the parties to the alternative form of hearing before the

Endocrinologic and Metabolic Drugs Advisory Committee.

Issues to be discussed: The issues presented at the hearing will be those related to the

safety and efficacy of ITCA 650, a drug-device combination product that is the subject of an

NDA submitted by Intarcia (NDA 209053), for the proposed indication, as an adjunct to diet and

exercise, to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C.

1001 et seq.). This meeting notice also serves as notice that, pursuant to 21 CFR 10.19, the

requirements in 21 CFR 14.22(b), (f), and (g) relating to the location of advisory committee

meetings are hereby waived to allow for this meeting to take place using an online meeting

platform. This waiver is in the interest of allowing greater transparency and opportunities for

public participation, in addition to convenience for advisory committee members, speakers, and

guest speakers. No participant will be prejudiced by this waiver, and that the ends of justice will

be served by allowing for this modification to FDA's advisory committee meeting procedures.

Dated: August 21, 2023.

Lauren K. Roth,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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